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June 7, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NSC PLANNING BOARD

SUBJECT:

National Policy on Counterintelligence and Establishment of a Committee to Implement Such Policy

REFERENCES:

A. Memo for NSC, May 1, 1957

B. Memos for Planning Board, May 21, June 4 and 5, 1957

The enclosed comments on the subject by the Director, Bureau of the Budget, are transmitted herewith, prior to their circulation to the National Security Council, for the information and use of the Planning Board in preparing a report in accordance with the reference memorandum of May 1, 1957.

MARION W. BOGGS Director NSC Secretariat

cc: Secretary, Interdepartmental Intelligence Conference Secretary, Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security



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The proposal contained in the NSC memorandum is an important one with complex and sweeping implications. It is presented, however, with a minimum of identification of the problem and with an insufficient discussion.

The initial reaction of the Bureau of the Budget is to suggest that the proposal is not ready for consideration by the Planning Board without considerable amplification. The proposal concerns an area of such importance that some corrective action should be taken to deal with deficiencies that exist in the present arrangements.

Certain questions naturally arise:

- 1. What would be the respective spheres of interest and responsibility of the proposed committee and a number of others which already exist with very close related responsibilities, such as the interdepartmental committees which are named in the document itself?
- 2. Why cannot the desired coordination be achieve in one of the already existing interdepartmental mechanisms, for example, the IAC?
- 3. What restatement would be required of the coordinating responsibilities of the Director of Central Intelligence as now set forth, pursuant to the National Security Act of 1947, in various National Security Council Intelligence Directives?
- 4. What types of readjustment in the operations of the existing intelligence agencies are envisioned as illustrative of the kind of improved coordination which the proposed committee might seek to bring about?

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- 5. What relationship does the proposal have to the recommendations of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities?
- 6. Would the declarations of the National Security Council as contained in the proposed draft memorandum (particularly paragraph c) have the effect of confusing relationships abroad, particularly with other national and international organizations?
- 7. What effect would the establishment of such a committee have on the assignments of responsibility make under NSC Action 1290-d?

/s/ PERCIVAL BRUNDAGE
Director



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